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Re: Patent Application of John B. Davis et al.

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For: Rotational Control Apparatus

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Dear Sir:

In response to the official communication mailed January 31, 1996, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 according to the following claim 1
(amended) :

1. (amended) Rotational control apparatus comprising, in combination: an input rotatable about an axis; an output, with the input rotatable about the axis [and] relative to the [input] output, with each of the input and the output including a friction engaging surface rotatably fixed thereto at a radial spacing from the axis; means for engaging the friction engaging surfaces of the input and output together to rotatably relate the input and output in an engaged condition and for disengaging the friction engaging surfaces of the input and output in a disengaged condition, with the output including a first, slideably mounted friction disc portion, with the first, friction disc portion being reciprocal between a first position to rotatably relate the first, friction disc portion to the input and a second position with the friction engaging surfaces in the disengaged condition; and an eddy current drive including permanent magnets and a ring of magnetic material, with one

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